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Subject: RE: Office2003 Beta2: Information on the "Word11" XML file format.
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I logged bug 380469 for this now

Roxanne - this is a "heads up", since it will require a special topic somewhere in the CDK (I don't think there is need for it in the main help topic, if we implement it the way I described in the bug, since it affects only those folks changing word XML outside of Word, or creating XSLT transformations for use with Word)

Joe - we will need to document this in the schema documentation. I don;t think we're ready to explain these details to Peter Vogel yet -- maybe let's at least wait for the implementation -- but at some point this needs to be in the XSD doc, possibly additionally requiring a special "Security" chapter. As a possible alternative (or in addition) to the "Security" chapter, there could be a separate whitepaper, if you think think that'd make sense. Thoughts?

Also note bug 374864 where we're adding a new registry key as backup in case the AV community or some customers are still not happy and start discouraging XML as a file format in Office. This backup will give users the choice to strip executable VBVA/OLE/OCX altogether from WordML. This is also something that should go into that possible WordML Security whitepaper.

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